



**UNIVERSITY  
OF ALBERTA**

**PARENTS + SUPPORTERS**  
2025 - 2026 HANDBOOK

# LEADING WITH PURPOSE

You can feel confident in your student's choice to study at the University of Alberta.



**TOP 5**  
UNIVERSITY IN  
CANADA



**TOP 100**  
UNIVERSITY IN THE  
WORLD



**TOP 5** IN CANADA FOR  
GRADUATE EMPLOYMENT

They will join a thriving community.



**44,000+**  
STUDENTS FROM  
152 COUNTRIES



**450+**  
STUDENT CLUBS TO JOIN



**10,000+**  
INTRAMURAL PARTICIPANTS EACH YEAR

With access to opportunities to transform their degree.

**250+** STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS  
[uab.ca/abroad](https://uab.ca/abroad)

**CO-OPS, PRACTICUMS AND INTERNSHIPS**  
IN EVERY DIRECT-ENTRY FACULTY  
[uab.ca/wil](https://uab.ca/wil)

**FIRST-YEAR** RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES  
[uab.ca/uri](https://uab.ca/uri)

And supports to help get them there.

**\$52M+** IN FINANCIAL SUPPORT AVAILABLE  
[uab.ca/awards](https://uab.ca/awards)

**CONNECT** WITH OUR STUDENT SERVICE CENTRE  
[uab.ca/ask](https://uab.ca/ask)

**SPEAK ONE-ON-ONE** WITH AN ADVISOR  
[uab.ca/advising](https://uab.ca/advising)



# DO WE CHECK YOUR BOXES?

Deciding where to go to university is a big deal. Work your way through our checklist below to empower your student to make their choice.

- ❑ Help your student pick the perfect program by browsing our 200+ program options. [uab.ca/programs](https://uab.ca/programs)
- ❑ Prepare for admission by reviewing our historical admission averages. [uab.ca/averages](https://uab.ca/averages)
- ❑ See our campuses first-hand by booking a tour. [uab.ca/tours](https://uab.ca/tours)
- ❑ Tour residence and see the perks of living on campus in action. First-year students who apply by **April 30, 2025** are guaranteed a spot. [uab.ca/residence](https://uab.ca/residence)
- ❑ Don't take our word for it. Message a current U of A student to hear their perspective on the student experience. [uab.ca/peerchat](https://uab.ca/peerchat)
- ❑ Attend our year-round presentations and events specifically for students and supporters like you! [uab.ca/recruitmentevents](https://uab.ca/recruitmentevents)

## 40+ HOURS/WEEK WITH A FULL COURSE LOAD

- 20 hours attending lectures, labs and seminars
- 20+ hours studying and working on assignments

## NORTH CAMPUS AVERAGE CLASS SIZE

- 51 students in junior-level classes
- 43 students in senior-level classes

## ACCESS TO ON-CAMPUS SUPPORTS AND SERVICES

- Counselling and peer support
- Writing support and academic advising
- Fitness programs and recreation facilities

# Funding Their Future

## How much will it cost?

### TUITION COST

Our cost calculator can give you the best estimate personalized to your student's program, living situation and more.

[uab.ca/costcalc](https://uab.ca/costcalc)

### APPLICATION FEE

Your student will be required to pay a \$125 non-refundable fee. For an additional \$25, your student can apply for residence at the same time.

### TUITION DEPOSIT

Once your student receives an offer of admission, they will be required to pay a \$500\* tuition deposit in order to accept their offer and become eligible to register in courses. The deadline is **May 1, 2025**.

### NON-INSTRUCTIONAL FEES

These provide your student access to health benefits, student services, fitness facilities and more.

[uab.ca/ufees](https://uab.ca/ufees)

## How can we help?

### SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

We have application-based and admission-based scholarships available to support your student's funding. Applications close **January 10, 2025**.

[uab.ca/awards](https://uab.ca/awards)

### BURSARIES

If your student is experiencing a financial shortfall or emergency for the current school year's academic and basic living costs, they may be eligible for a bursary.

[uab.ca/bursaries](https://uab.ca/bursaries)

### LOANS

Student loans help pay for tuition, fees, books and living expenses until your student is in a better position to pay them back.

[uab.ca/loans101](https://uab.ca/loans101)

*\*International students will be required to pay a \$1,000 tuition deposit.*



Students Outside Alberta  
School of Business Building



## Time to Take Note

- ❑ **Your student can apply October 1 of their grade 12 year** using their final grade 11 marks and available final grade 12 marks. Our ongoing evaluation process means they only apply once, and their application will continually be reviewed.
- ❑ **For Alberta Students, final high school transcripts will be sent on their behalf** to the U of A as part of the application process. For out-of-province students, all final and official documentation must be sent to the U of A by **August 1, 2025**.
- ❑ **Your student must accept their offer of admission and pay the tuition deposit** by the deadline in Launchpad before they can register for their courses.
- ❑ **All communication will be sent to their official U of A email address** once your student applies to the U of A – so remind them to regularly check their inbox!
- ❑ **Official correspondence between the university and students is privileged.** We are unable to, by law, disclose students' personal or academic information to anyone else, including parents/family, without the student's prior written consent.

## Get Acquainted with our Lingo

**Undergraduate:** A student enrolled in university who is pursuing a Bachelor's Degree with no prior post-secondary credentials. This typically takes 4 to 5 years to complete.

**Major/Minor:** A student's major is their primary area of study in a degree program, whereas a minor is their secondary area of study (which is usually optional).

**Transcript:** A statement of the student's entire official academic record.

**Competitive Average:** The entrance average required to be admitted into a program.

**Direct-Entry Program:** A program that does not require any other post-secondary credit for admission purposes (ie. admitted based on high school grades alone).

**Non-Direct Entry Program:** A program that requires specific previously completed post-secondary course credit for admission purposes.

# DATES AND DEADLINES

## 2024

### October 1

Fall 2025 undergraduate application opens [uab.ca/apply](https://uab.ca/apply)

### October 19

Open House [uab.ca/openhouse](https://uab.ca/openhouse)

## 2025

### January 10

Awards application deadline [uab.ca/awards](https://uab.ca/awards)

### February 19

Update new final marks [uab.ca/aftapp](https://uab.ca/aftapp)

### March 1

Fall 2025 admission application deadline

### March

Attend a Registration 101 workshop [uab.ca/reg101](https://uab.ca/reg101)

### April

Course registration for Fall 2025 opens

### April 30

Deadline to apply for a guaranteed spot in residence [uab.ca/residence](https://uab.ca/residence)

### May 1

Deadline to accept admission offer (unless otherwise stated) [uab.ca/accept](https://uab.ca/accept)

### July

Attend a Student Loans 101 workshop [uab.ca/loans101](https://uab.ca/loans101)

### August 1

Deadline to submit admission documents [uab.ca/appdocs](https://uab.ca/appdocs)

### August 25

Residence Move In

### August 30 - September 1

Attend Orientation [uab.ca/orientation](https://uab.ca/orientation)

### September 2

Classes begin!

### September 2 - 5

Join us at Week of Welcome [uas.u.ca/wow](https://uas.u.ca/wow)

Stay connected  
and subscribe to our  
Parents + Supporters  
e-newsletter.

**[uab.ca/parents](https://uab.ca/parents)**

## ASK US

You've got questions. We've got advisors.  
Contact us at [parents@ualberta.ca](mailto:parents@ualberta.ca)  
Book student advising at [uab.ca/advising](https://uab.ca/advising)



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